



## ***“Immersed in Jesus”***

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***Introduction*** – *Water baptism is a recurring practice in the book of Acts which follows as a public confirmation that a person believes in Jesus Christ. Today we will examine what baptism means and why we do it.*

### ***I. The Meaning of Baptism.***

- A. The Greek word for “baptism” is “*baptidzo*,” which means “to be immersed.”
- B. We can see this when Jesus was baptized by John. (Mark 1:9-11)
- C. The apostle Paul explains believer’s baptism in terms of our total identification with Christ, specifically His death and His resurrection.

### ***II. The Kinds of Baptisms.***

- A. The “Baptism of Moses.” (I Cor. 10)
- B. The “Baptism of Suffering.” (Luke 12)
- C. The “Baptism of Repentance.” (Matt. 3)
- D. The “Baptism of the Holy Spirit.” (Matt. 3)
- E. The “Baptism of Fire.” (Matt. 3, Luke 3)

F. What does water baptism of a believer in Jesus mean?

- 1. Immersed in water as a sign we are immersed in Jesus’ death and resurrection.
- 2. Baptism is a dramatic reenactment of our conversion to Christ.
- 3. People are baptized after they believe in Jesus.

### ***III. Why Believers Are Baptized.***

- A. To obey Jesus and be His disciple.
- B. Baptism makes our obedience real.
- C. Baptism gives us a physical experience of a spiritual reality.
- D. Baptism is a means to identify with other believers in Jesus in the Body of Christ.

### ***Conclusion.***